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Clairton Works
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Subject: USS Reference Number: 07-0121
ACHD Reference Number: N/A
#2 Control Room
USS Clairton Works

Gentlemen:

The attached form confirms our verbal report of the subject incident. Any questions concerning this matter should be referred to Coleen M. Davis at 412-233-1015.

Sincerely,

Lisa A. Roudabush
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NOTICE OF OUTAGE OF EQUIPMENT
ARTICLE XXI - SECTION 2108.1

1. **USS Reference Number:** 07-0121
ACHD Reference Number: N/A
2. **Date & Time of Breakdown:** Date: 06/03/07 Time: 1822 hours
3. **Company Name:** U.S. Steel Corporation - USS Clairton Works
4. **Specific Equipment Involved or Affected:** #2 Control Room
5. **BAPC Permit Number (if applicable):**
6. **Location:** Clairton, PA
7. **Nature and cause of breakdown:** During a routine test of the automated gas flow valves at the #2 Control Room, one of the valves failed to completely close. In the process of reseating the valve, the valve was mistakenly stroked in the wrong direction and gas flow through the Sulfur Plant was disrupted. As a result, the 40 grain limit was momentarily exceeded.
8. **Identification of Emissions:**
 - A. **Type(s)** (CO, NOX, SO₂, Particulates, Hydrocarbons, etc.)
Elevated H₂S in the downriver and under-firing gas line systems, causing increased SO₂ and VOC at point of combustion.
 - B. **Toxic qualities of each type** (including its qualities as an irritant, and its potential for causing illness, disability, or mortality). SO₂ is and VOC could be an eye, nose, and throat irritant.
 - C. **Amount of each type emitted (or likely to be emitted).**
Light to moderate
9. **Measures taken (or to be taken) to minimize length of breakdown and amount of emissions, including shutdown or curtailment (or why it is impossible or impractical to do so).**
The valve was promptly closed and normal gas processing operations resumed.
10. **Facility back in operation -** Date: 06/03/07 Time: 1917 hours

Signature Coleen M. Davis Date 6-7-07
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